SCDXC Newsletter

The Southern California DX Club is an informal group of dedicated men and women active in the amateur radio community who enjoy communicating over the air with other radio amateurs around the world.

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If you need him get in there and work him"

The colors that never run

Editor's Notes

Hello DXers of the Club formerly known as the Southern California DX Club!

Well another month has passed and we had a good one! Just as Desecheo Island, NP3VI/KP5, finished the DXpedition Bouvet, 3Y0K came on line. Both Dxpeditions went flawlessly.

Imagine a remote station that was dropped on a remote island for a month without any maintenance, working stations all over the world, mostly with 20 watts, and then being picked up and hauled home. All this was done with a minimal group that did the set up and tear down and no one messed with the unmanned hardware sitting out open to the world! Maybe it is a good thing making an unauthorized landing a federal offense!

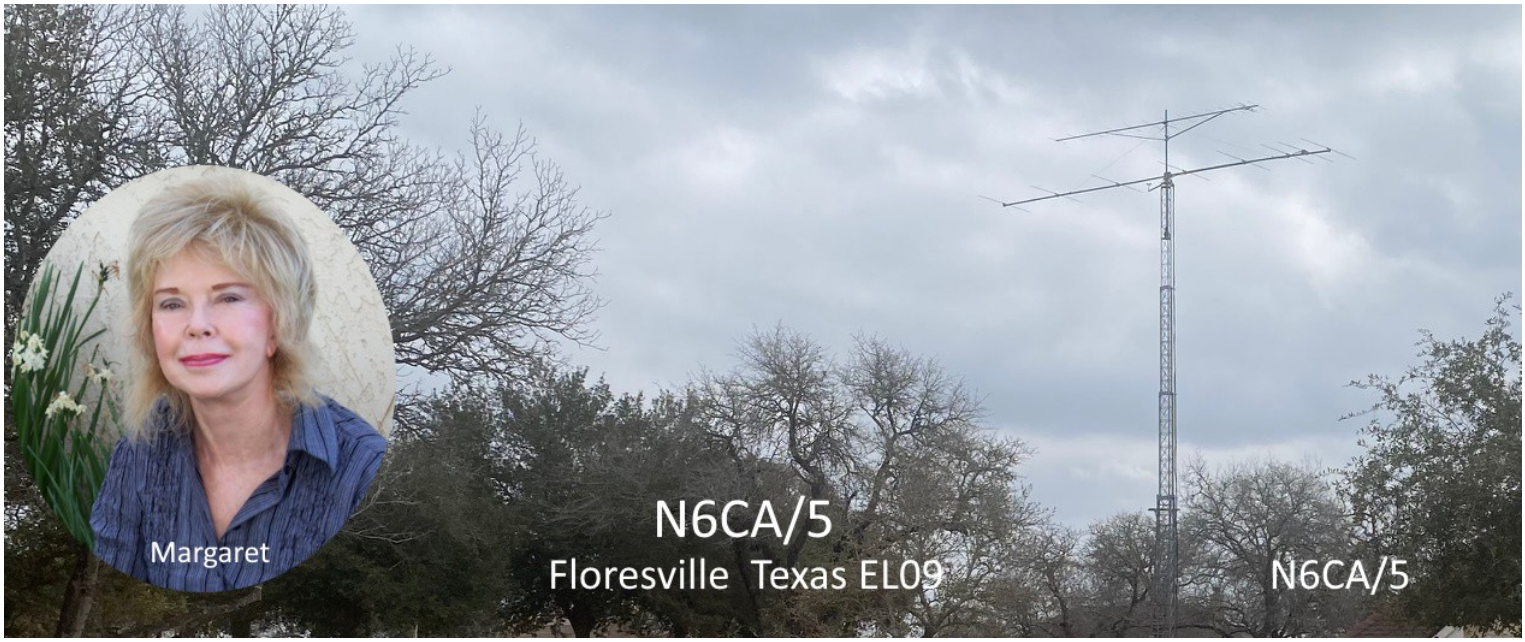
Then we have a large group of operators with their equipment journeying to the most remote island in the world, being carried by helicopter onto the island, setting up and running a huge number of stations simultaneously, breaking 100K QSOs then spirited off the island the same way they arrived… amazing! There were many comments about the cost. If you consider how costs have risen in general (thank you China / COVID), then the price tag was on par. You can't take it with you! Besides that this DXpedition was done right.

Not to be ignored is the J51A Guinea-Bissau DXpedition. He first day they broke 8,000 QSOs and to date they are closing on 250,000 QSOs. These guys are hitting it hard and are excellent operators. Congratulations to all of them and thanks for giving out so many new ones!

CY0S is back and they are doing a great job as well as are T8OK, TX5EU, and JR2GYA/JD1. What a group!

The ARRL CW DX Contest at the end of February was pretty extraordinary with good openings on all bands. Two weeks later the SSB portion exhibited some not so great propagation nevertheless it was fun. Normally more QSOs and points are garnered in the SSB portion. This year it was reversed. SSB was significantly down, around 2/3 of last years QSOs. We should start adjusting to the downside of this cycle. We have seen the best it has to offer and now we are back to digging in for the fight!

The picture below is Chip's image from Facebook. He has his 8 element 6 meter beam up and going just in time for the Es season! Hopefully with the diminishing SFI and decreased solar storms we will again see those openings to Europe! If the sun is not so cooperative then maybe we will have good backscatter to Africa and the Caribbean as we did a few years ago! In any event the Magic Band does not disappoint!



The DX Sampler

Here is a sampling of what you missed last month. I know we are getting older, more tired and forgetful but remember this, the **power** button on you radio turns it on. You can't work them if your radio is off!

Rumors on the Band

The last month has had a flurry of Dxpeditions! This month we have a few more. Remember the CQ WPX SSB contest. Contests always bring out DX!

QTH	Call	Start Date	End Date	Information
Vanuatu	YJ0CA	Now	2-Apr	VK2YUS 40-10m SSB
Benin	TY5FR	Now	5-Apr	DL1BUG 80-10m CW SSB
Austral Is	TX5EU	Now	5-Apr	PG5M PA3EWP DL2AMD PA2KW DK2AMM DL2AWG 80-10m CW SSB RTTY FT8
Bangladesh	S21WD	Now	1-Apr	DJ4MX DK6SP DL3ON M0DSV S21ABO S21TV 160-10m CW SSB Digi
Rodriguez Island	3B9N	3-Apr	20-May	VU3OPT 10, 15, 10 CW
Svalbard	JW/KK6IK	8-Apr	8-Apr	KK6IK Spitsbergen 40-15m CW
Marquessas	TX9W	19-Apr	30-Apr	K5WE W5CCP N5TEA K4VBM WD5COV F6BCW 160-6m CW FT8 FT4 SSB RTTY
Gambia	C5C	8-Apr	8-Apr	F4AGG F5RAV as C5C (SSB CW) /C5D (RTTY PSK FT8) HF

ClubLog Most Wanted West Coast

2026		
#	Pfx	Entity
1	EZ	TURKMENISTAN
2	FT5/X	KERGUELEN ISLAND
3	P5	DPRK (NORTH KOREA)
4	YK	SYRIA
5	CE0X	SAN FELIX ISLANDS
6	KH3	JOHNSTON ISLAND
7	BV9P	PRATAS ISLAND
8	BS7H	SCARBOROUGH REEF
9	KH7K	KURE ISLAND
10	YV0	AVES ISLAND
11	SV/A	MOUNT ATHOS
12	3Y/P	PETER 1 ISLAND
13	PY0S	SAINT PETER AND PAUL ROCKS
14	3Y/B	BOUVET ISLAND
15	FT/T	TROMELIN ISLAND
16	T5	SOMALIA
17	5A	LIBYA
18	KP5	DESECHEO ISLAND
19	VK0M	MACQUARIE ISLAND
20	VQ9	CHAGOS ISLANDS
21	ZC4	UK BASES ON CYPRUS
22	PY0T	TRINDADE & MARTIM VAZ ISLANDS
23	FT/J	JUAN DE NOVA, EUROPA
24	JX	JAN MAYEN
25	ZS8	PRINCE EDWARD & MARION ISLANDS
26	VK0H	HEARD ISLAND
27	FT/G	GLORIOSO ISLAND
28	XZ	MYANMAR
29	R1F	FRANZ JOSEF LAND
30	VP0S	SOUTH SANDWICH ISLANDS
31	ZL9	NEW ZEALAND SUBANTARCTIC ISLANDS
32	KH4	MIDWAY ISLAND
33	YI	IRAQ
34	E3	ERITREA
35	ET	ETHIOPIA
36	3A	MONACO
37	E4	PALESTINE
38	HK0/M	MALPELO ISLAND
39	4U1ITU	ITU HQ
40	J2	DJIBOUTI
41	3C0	ANNOBON
42	ZL8	KERMADEC ISLAND
43	JD/M	MINAMI TORISHIMA
44	FT5Z	AMSTERDAM & ST PAUL ISLANDS
45	VU7	LAKSHADWEEP ISLANDS
46	7O	YEMEN
47	FK/C	CHESTERFIELD ISLANDS
48	S2	BANGLADESH
49	VP0G	SOUTH GEORGIA ISLAND
50	YA	AFGHANISTAN

ClubLog Most Wanted

2026			2025			
#	Pfx	Entity	#	Pfx	Entity	Delta
1	P5	DPRK (NORTH KOREA)	1	P5	DPRK (NORTH KOREA)	1 =
2	KH3	JOHNSTON ISLAND	2	BS7H	SCARBOROUGH REEF	6 (↑ 4)
3	KH7K	KURE ISLAND	3	CE0X	SAN FELIX ISLANDS	5 (↑ 2)
4	CE0X	SAN FELIX ISLANDS	4	BV9P	PRATAS ISLAND	3 (↓1)
5	FT5/X	KERGUELEN ISLAND	5	KH7K	KURE ISLAND	8 (↑ 3)
6	BS7H	SCARBOROUGH REEF	6	KH3	JOHNSTON ISLAND	2 (↓4)
7	BV9P	PRATAS ISLAND	7	3Y/P	PETER 1 ISLAND	7 (↓ 3)
8	YV0	AVES ISLAND	8	FT5/X	KERGUELEN ISLAND	8 (↑ 1)
9	3Y/P	PETER 1 ISLAND	9	YV0	AVES ISLAND	9 (-2)
10	3Y/B	BOUVET ISLAND	10	3Y/B	BOUVET ISLAND	10 =
11	KH4	MIDWAY ISLAND	11	VK0M	MACQUARIE ISLAND	11 (↑ 1)
12	VK0M	MACQUARIE ISLAND	12	KH4	MIDWAY ISLAND	31 (↓ 19)
13	EZ	TURKMENISTAN	13	PY0S	SAINT PETER AND PAUL ROCKS	13(↑ 7)
14	KP5	DESECHEO ISLAND	14	KP5	DESECHEO ISLAND	14 =
15	PY0S	SAINT PETER AND PAUL ROCKS	15	VP0S	SOUTH SANDWICH ISLANDS	15 (↓ 2)
16	VP0S	SOUTH SANDWICH ISLANDS	16	ZL9	NEW ZEALAND SUBANTARCTIC ISLANDS	16 (↓1)
17	YK	SYRIA	17	FK/C	CHESTERFIELD ISLANDS	17 (↑ 6)
18	ZL9	NEW ZEALAND SUBANTARCTIC ISLANDS	18	VK0H	HEARD ISLAND	18 (↓ 2)
19	VK0H	HEARD ISLAND	19	FT/T	TROMELIN ISLAND	19 (↓ 1)
20	FT/T	TROMELIN ISLAND	20	EZ	TURKMENISTAN	20 (↓ 1)
21	FK/C	CHESTERFIELD ISLANDS	21	ZS8	PRINCE EDWARD & MARION ISLANDS	21 (↓ 4)
22	KH1	BAKER HOWLAND ISLANDS	22	ZL8	KERMADEC ISLAND	22 (↑ 4)
23	XF4	REVILLAGIGEDO	23	YK	SYRIA	25 (↓ 2)
24	ZL8	KERMADEC ISLAND	24	VP0G	SOUTH GEORGIA ISLAND	17 (↑ 7)
25	VP0G	SOUTH GEORGIA ISLAND	25	XF4	REVILLAGIGEDO	19 (↑ 6)
26	ZS8	PRINCE EDWARD & MARION ISLANDS	26	KH1	BAKER HOWLAND ISLANDS	18 (↑ 8)
27	FT5/W	CROZET ISLAND	27	FT5/W	CROZET ISLAND	27 =
28	VK9M	MELLISH REEF	28	VK9M	MELLISH REEF	28 =
29	FT/J	JUAN DE NOVA, EUROPA	29	FT/J	JUAN DE NOVA, EUROPA	29 =
30	KP1	NAVASSA ISLAND	30	KH9	WAKE ISLAND	30 (↑58)
31	JD/M	MINAMI TORISHIMA	31	SV/A	MOUNT ATHOS	31 (↑ 3)
32	PY0T	TRINDADE & MARTIM VAZ ISLANDS	32	HK0/M	MALPELO ISLAND	32 (↑ 1)
33	HK0/M	MALPELO ISLAND	33	PY0T	TRINDADE & MARTIM VAZ ISLANDS	33 (↓ 1)
34	SV/A	MOUNT ATHOS	34	JD/M	MINAMI TORISHIMA	34 (↓ 3)
35	TI9	COCOS ISLAND	35	KP1	NAVASSA ISLAND	36 (↑ 1)
36	VK9W	WILLIS ISLAND	36	TI9	COCOS ISLAND	36 (↑ 2)
37	FT5Z	AMSTERDAM & ST PAUL ISLANDS	37	FT/G	GLORIOSO ISLAND	37 (↑ 2)
38	FT/G	GLORIOSO ISLAND	38	VK9W	WILLIS ISLAND	38 (↓ 1)
39	KH9	WAKE ISLAND	39	FT5Z	AMSTERDAM & ST PAUL ISLANDS	39(↓ 9)
40	VP8O	SOUTH ORKNEY ISLANDS	40	VP8O	SOUTH ORKNEY ISLANDS	40 =
41	XZ	MYANMAR	41	XZ	MYANMAR	41 =
42	ZK3	TOKELAU ISLANDS	42	ZK3	TOKELAU ISLANDS	42 =
43	3C0	ANNOBON	43	3C0	ANNOBON	43 =
44	R1F	FRANZ JOSEF LAND	44	1S	SPRATLY ISLANDS	44 (↑ 3)
45	1S	SPRATLY ISLANDS	45	T5	SOMALIA	45 (↓ 1)
46	KH5	PALMYRA & JARVIS ISLANDS	46	KH5	PALMYRA & JARVIS ISLANDS	46 =
47	T31	CENTRAL KIRIBATI	47	R1F	FRANZ JOSEF LAND	47 (↑ 1)
48	T33	BANABA ISLAND	48	T31	CENTRAL KIRIBATI	48 (↑ 1)
49	E3	ERITREA	49	T33	BANABA ISLAND	49 (↑ 1)
50	H40	TEMOTU PROVINCE	50	H40	TEMOTU PROVINCE	50 =

CADXA Most Wanted DXCC

ClubLog Most Wanted DXCC

DX Standings

Thanks go out to Greg, N6PM for sending in his updates. He is doing really well! Also Steve, AA6AA, and Bill, N6RV updated there challenge totals. Keep up the good work OMs!

We updated the DXCC standings using the DXCC documents and the ClubLog standings. If they are not correct let us know and we will update them. Also, if the WAZ standings are not correct let us know as well. Happy New Year!

If you are a new member please join ClubLog and then sign up for the Southern California DX Club. If you need help email me. Send any updates to:

N6RV@SCDXC.org

SCDXC WAZ and DXCC Standings

The first WAZ column is the confirmed zone count on 10 bands 160 - 6 (less 60 meters). The second column is the regular 5BWAZ confirmed count. The following are the codes that follow the two columns and indicate the awards:

M	Mixed
P	Phone
C	CW
R	RTTY

Here are links to the published standings:

https://www.arrl.org/dxcc-standings

https://n4baa.com/1_All_200_Zones_Listing.pdf

https://n4baa.com/2_5_Band_Listing.pdf

SCDXC Lifetime Standings

Rank	Call	Current	Total	Slots	Rank	Call	Current	Total	Slots
1	W6KH	340	389		50	W6HB	311	311	1029
2	JA1BK	340	383	3242	51	N6PM	308	309	2329
3	K6YRA	340	378	2278	52	N6GP	303	314	1851
4	OH2BH	340	378		53	K6IRD	292	302	649
5	N0FW	340	372	2978	54	W6ZL	299	303	1179
6	K6YUI	340	366	2610	55	WA6HXM	275	275	
7	NS6C	340	361	2657	56	WA6WXD	274	274	
8	W6SR	340	359	2778	57	K6VC	264	267	
9	K6FG	340	357	2795	58	KN6ZZI	254	254	1197
10	WA6WZO	340	358	2456	59	K0XP	250	249	973
11	K5KT	340	355		60	N6AA	247	247	2442
12	W8DX	340	353	2456	61	W6KC	246	248	743
13	N6WS	340	352	2723	62	NE6V	239	239	1037
14	W6TK	340	351	1781	63	K6JEY	234	234	
15	N6HC	340	349	2408	64	WC2S	231	231	744
16	W6KK	340	349	2066	65	N6HE	229	238	746
17	K6ND	340	348	2861	66	W6YLZ	229	230	965
18	WA5VGI	340	348	2816	67	N6VOH	222	251	
19	KJ6Y	340	348	1439	68	N6AV	212	212	
20	N6PEQ	340	347	2056	69	K6NGO	212	212	739
21	KR6C	340	346	2152	70	K6AFW	204	204	917
22	N6RV	339	356	2536	71	WB6DJI	200	200	589
23	N6QQ	339	356	2231	72	AA6DW	196	202	402
24	W6FL	339	353	1644	73	K6FOD	211	211	479
25	K6RO	339	348	2484	74	K9TAD	180	180	274
26	N6MG	339	347		75	N6LL	169	169	
27	W6TJI	338	355		76	W6GA	169	168	
28	W6RW	338	352	2743	77	KC6TOD	166	166	
29	N6HY	338	346	2294	78	K6DW	165	165	420
30	N6RW	337	371	2786	79	KK6M	162	192	466
31	N7NR	337	361	3034	80	KI6BTY	155	155	593
32	N6IC	336	347		81	W6QE	149	149	365
33	AA6AA	336	351	2647	82	WD6Y	147	147	274
34	K6JW	336	342	1371	83	AB9A	141	141	224
35	SM5GMZ	335	346	2454	84	NZ6L	137	178	158
36	K4ST	335	339	2065	85	N6CA	133	133	386
37	K2IXQ	335	339	1837	86	KF6RY	125	125	306
38	N6MXU	335	339	1831	87	K6BBC	103	117	216
39	N6AX	332	336	1827	88	N6PCD	105	105	251
40	W6SW	331	339	540	89	N6YQ	100	128	
41	K6SY	331	337	1158	90	WA6MEM	100	100	
42	W6DR	331	336	2109	91	W6CCC	95	95	211
43	AA6PW	330	331	1785	92	NA6Q	81	81	198
44	N6AX	322	336	1826	93	W6MPB	61	61	
45	NK6A	320	319	957	94	NR6M	57	57	123
46	N6DHZ	317	323	1623	95	K6LAC	46	46	
47	K7MY	316	316	1461	96	K6YIC	43	43	92
48	N6WT	315	315	2315	97	KJ6YL	14	14	
49	N6VNI	312	314	1541	98				

WAZ Standings

Rank	Call	11B	5B	Awards
1	N0FW	426	200	M/P/C/R/5
2	WA5VGI	418	200	M/P/C/R/5
3	K6ND	415	200	M/5
4	N6WS	415	200	M/P/C/R/5
5	AA6AA	392	200	M/P/C/R/5
6	W6SR	384	200	M/P/C/5
7	K6FG	376	200	M/P/C/R/5
8	NS6C	369	200	M/P/C/R/5
9	N6AW	355	200	M/P/C/5
10	K6YUI	353	200	M/P/C/R/5
11	W6KK	348	200	M/P/C/5
12	K6YRA	337	200	P/5
13	W6TK	369	198	
14	N6HY	365	196	M/P/C
15	N6RW	410	199	
16	N6WT	385	195	
17	N6RV	384	195	
18	N6PM	383	195	M/P/R/5B
19	K6RO	379	195	M/P/C
20	W6FL	253	195	
21	N6QQ	343	189	
22	KR6C	333	189	
23	N6PEQ	338	188	
24	W6DR	348	187	
25	N6GP	313	185	
26	N6DHZ	295	182	
27	AA6PW	298	181	
28	N6VNI	291	181	
29	K6SY	299	178	
30	KJ6Y	237	173	
31	N6HE	253	168	
32	W6ZL	253	166	M/P/C/R
33	KN6ZZI	251	134	
34	K6JW	244	158	
35	NK6A	290	157	
36	W6KC	217	156	
37	W6YLZ	151	288	
38	K7MY	258	159	
39	N6MG	241	150	
40	NE6V	256	149	
41	K6AFW	218	149	
42	KK6M	173	140	
43	K0XP	171	140	
44	K6IRD	220	130	
45	W6SW	154	126	M/P
46	WD6Y	174	109	M
47	K6VC	145	96	
48	K6DW	143	118	
49	WC2S	201	115	
50	K6NGO	191	110	
51	K6FOD	160	106	
52	K9TAD	113	99	
53	NZ6L	104	82	
54	N6HC	17	13	
55	WB6DJI	11	8	

2026 Get Schroeder Contest

1A0	4S	7Q	A3	CE9	E7	FK	GI	HS	KH0	LZ	PJ7	T2	TY	VK9L	VU4	YV0
1S	4U1ITU	7X	A4	CN	EA	FK/C	GJ	HV	KH1	OA	PY	T30	TZ	VK9M	VU7	Z2
3A	4U1UN	8P	A5	CO	EA6	FM	GM	HZ	KH2	OD	PY0F	T31	UA	VK9N	XE	Z3
3B7	4W	8Q	A6	CP	EA8	FO	GU	I	KH3	OE	PY0S	T32	UA0	VK9W	XF4	Z6
3B8	4X	8R	A7	CT	EA9	FO/A	GW	IS0	KH4	OH	PY0T	T33	UA2	VK9X	XT	Z8
3B9	5A	9A	A9	CT3	EI	FO/C	H4	J2	KH5	OH0	PZ	T5	UJ	VP0G	XU	ZA
3C	5B	9G	AP	CU	EK	FO/M	H40	J3	KH6	OJ0	R1F	T7	UN	VP0S	XW	ZB2
3C0	5H	9H	BS7H	CX	EL	FP	HA	J5	KH7K	OK	S0	T8	UR	VP2E	XX9	ZC4
3D2	5N	9J	BU	CY0	EP	FR	HB	J6	KH8	OM	S2	TA	V2	VP2M	XZ	ZD7
3D2/C	5R	9K	BV9P	CY9	ER	FS	HB0	J7	KH8/S	ON	S5	TF	V3	VP2V	YA	ZD8
3D2/R	5T	9L	BY	D2	ES	FT/G	HC	J8	KH9	OX	S7	TG	V4	VP5	YB	ZD9
3DA	5U	9M2	C21	D4	ET	FT/J	HC8	JA	KL7	OY	S9	TI	V5	VP6	YI	ZF
3V	5V7	9M6	C31	D6	EU	FT/T	HH	JD/M	KP1	OZ	SM	TI9	V6	VP6/D	YJ	ZK3
3W	5W	9N	C5	DL	EX	FT5/W	HI	JD/O	KP2	P2	SP	TJ	V7	VP8	YK	ZL
3XA	5X	9Q	C6A	DU	EY	FT5/X	HK	JT	KP4	P4	ST	TK	V8	VP8H	YL	ZL7
3Y/B	5Z	9U	C9	E3	~~EZ~~	FT5Z	HK0/M	JW	KP5	~~P5~~	SU	TL	VE	VP8O	YN	ZL8
3Y/P	6W	9V	CE	E4	F	FW	HK0S	JX	LA	PA	SV	TN	VK	VP9	YO	ZL9
4J	6Y	9X	CE0X	E5/N	FG	FY	HL	JY	LU	PJ2	SV/A	TR	VK0H	VQ9	YS	ZP
4L	7O	9Y	CE0Y	E5/S	FH	G	HP	K	LX	PJ4	SV5	TT	VK0M	VR	YT	ZS
4O	7P	A2	CE0Z	E6	FJ	GD	HR	KG4	LY	PJ5	SV9	TU	VK9C	VU	YV	ZS8

Chart Legend	
White / Green	Entity Worked This Year by a Member
Black / White	Very Active Entity Not Yet Worked
Black / Blue	Entity with Announced DXpedition
Black / Yellow	Rarely Active Entity Not Yet Worked
Black / Red	Inactive Entity
	Deleted Entity

This was another good month for SCDXC and DXing in general. This is a first, a West Coast only member has taken the top honors over a member with a station on both coasts! That is quite a feat considering that you have forego sleep to compete at that level.

In general we hold places 12, 13, 27, and 45 in the top 50 ClubLog submissions and if you count by number of entities worked we hold 8, 9, and 14. ClubLog ranks by total entities worked and then by total slots.

ClubLog Worked Not SCDXC

1A0	D6	JD/M	V7
3A	E4	JW	YI
5H	FO/M	P2	Z2
A5	J2	SU	

SCDXC Worked Not ClubLog

None

2026 Get Schroeder Leaders	
2026 Total Entities Worked	257
2025 Total Entities Worked	285
2026 Entities Worked by SCDXC	243
2025 SCDXC Entities Worked	274
2026 Entities Worked by SCDXC Members in SoCal	239
2025 Entities Worked by SCDXC Members in SoCal	270
2026 ClubLog Leaders Entities Worked	257
2025 ClubLog Leaders Entities Worked	285
2025 SCDXC Leader (N0FW *)	272
2025 ClubLog Leader (TA6B)	274

Rank	Call	Entities	Last Mo.	Last Yr	Leader	-Tot	-QQ	Uniques
								8
1	N6WT	232	17	-31	149	11	-232	1
2	K6RO *	231	14	-34	148	12	-231	3
3	N6RV	226	21	-36	143	17	-226	1
4	N6RW *	216	12	-45	133	27	-216	0
5	NS6C	215	16	-36	132	28	-215	1
6	WA5VGI	205	19	-45	122	38	-205	0
7	W6TK *	194	18	-11	111	49	-194	0
8	KN6ZZI	189	17	-58	106	54	-189	0
9	N6WS	178	17	-58	95	65	-178	1
10	N6PM	166	19	-45	83	77	-166	0
11	N0FW *	162	0	-110	79	81	-162	0
12	W6DR *	149	32	-28	66	94	-149	0
13	AA6AA	145	7	-97	62	98	-145	0
14	AA6PW	135	17	-39	52	108	-135	0
15	N6GP	132	55	-73	49	111	-132	0
16	K6ND *	115	24	-153	32	128	-115	2
17	N6AV	113	16	-72	30	130	-113	1
18	KI6BTY	95	15	-36	12	148	-95	0
19	KR6C *	95	55	-12	12	148	-95	0
20	N6DHZ *	83	8	-48	0	160	-83	0
21	NK6A	74	3	-53	-9	169	-74	0
22	N6MG	67	14	-130	-16	176	-67	0

SCDXC Get Schroeder Standings 2026

Rank	Call	160	80	60	40	30	20	17	15	12	10	6	Total	Slots	
1	N6WT	5	16	2	73	31	99	35	105	22	48	1	232	437	12
2	K6RO *	75	124	38	180	163	188	155	188	151	193	19	231	1474	38
3	N6RV	0	41	24	152	122	156	83	149	74	127	17	226	945	58
4	N6RW *	21	88	54	160	161	154	125	147	116	132	20	216	1178	68
5	NS6C	5	5	0	25	53	127	61	84	74	52	0	215	486	69
6	WA5VGI	12	0	16	0	69	112	123	120	107	96	0	205	655	42
7	W6TK *	5	11	0	97	61	136	123	137	85	104	1	192	760	69
8	KN6ZZI	0	0	0	88	91	125	75	122	85	90	10	189	686	3
9	N6WS	1	22	16	56	31	73	68	69	69	49	9	178	463	62
10	N6PM	8	18	11	67	36	40	27	42	47	67	2	166	365	32
11	N0FW *	13	25	25	39	51	74	45	80	83	92	3	162	530	38
12	W6DR *	0	35	21	87	43	84	39	82	40	69	1	149	501	46
13	AA6AA	20	60	21	87	29	61	17	71	24	71	3	145	464	57
14	AA6PW	0	26	0	70	59	45	60	91	67	67	0	135	485	39
15	N6GP	0	1	0	45	6	84	2	74	34	54	4	132	304	38
16	K6ND *	6	11	12	10	56	67	42	55	53	50	0	115	362	35
17	N6AV	0	0	0	42	38	32	28	54	43	33	0	113	270	12
18	KI6BTY	1	19	5	33	31	42	24	39	40	44	2	95	280	4
19	KR6C *	7	12	0	10	11	39	19	28	18	33	0	95	177	48
20	N6DHZ *	0	0	0	2	3	6	4	69	8	45	0	83	137	38
21	NK6A	0	0	0	0	1	3	1	73	4	8	0	74	90	81
22	N6MG	0	19	5	21	10	28	2	15	18	27	0	67	145	49
23	W6YLZ	0	6	6	1	13	4	11	5	17	2	2	44	67	38
24	WC2S	0	0	0	2	1	4	5	4	9	9	0	27	34	34
25	AA6DW	0	1	0	7	4	11	3	14	8	13	0	26	61	39
26	K6NGO	0	0	0	4	3	9	5	3	2	10	0	20	36	6
27	K6FOD	3	3	0	3	6	3	6	7	1	3	0	18	35	8
28	W6FL	0	2	2	3	8	4	4	3	5	3	1	15	35	66
29	K6JW	0	1	0	3	0	3	3	6	3	7	0	15	26	67
30	K9TAD	0	2	0	5	5	2	3	3	3	0	1	15	24	19
31	W6SR *	2	0	0	0	3	3	1	3	0	0	0	11	12	59

DXAC News

DX Club Leaders and Members,

The DX Advisory Committee (DXAC) recently discussed the current DXCC Honor Roll threshold, which is presently set at **331 of the 340 DXCC entities**. During the discussion, the possibility of lowering this threshold in the future was raised.

Several approaches were mentioned. One idea was to establish the threshold using a percentage somewhat lower than the current level of approximately **97.4%** of the DXCC list. Other suggestions included setting a fixed number lower than the current requirement—for example **300 entities**—or some other value that might better reflect today's DXCC environment.

Because your organization is an **ARRL-affiliated club designated as a "DX Club,"** I would like to solicit input from your members who are active in DXing. Specifically, we would appreciate hearing your club's thoughts on the following:

- Should the **DXCC Honor Roll threshold** be changed?
- If so, **what threshold would you recommend**, and why?
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The DXAC will meet again on **April 16**, when this topic will be discussed further. If possible, I would appreciate receiving any comments or recommendations from your club **prior to that date** so they can be considered during the discussion.

Thank you in advance for sharing the views of your DX-interested members.

73,
Bill Shell, N6WS

3YØK
BOUVETØYA ISLAND DXPEDITION

Bouvet Island

After many attempts to activate this remote island Ken and company got it right. Helicopter is the only way to really access the island and set up! Their pilots were extremely professional with over 20 trips, even delivering pizza to the operators. The weather for the most part was very cooperative. You can see that the camp set up went flawlessly and the antennas included yagis, not merely verticals. They had back up equipment and kept several QRO stations going 24/7. Congratulations to the team for knocking this one out of the park!

https://3y0k.com/

Here is an account by the teams doctor, Sean Reed:

Bouvet Island is an uninhabited subantarctic volcanic island and dependency of Norway situated at the southern edge of the Mid-Atlantic Ridge. It is the world's most remote island. Bouvet lies 1,700 km north of Antarctica, 1,845 km south of Gough Island, and 2,520 km south-southwest of the coast of South Africa. It has an area of 49 km2, 93% of which is covered by a glacier. Landing on the island is very difficult, as it normally experiences high seas, constant winds and features a steep coast.

Bouvet Island was first sighted on January 1, 1739, by the French explorer Jean-Baptiste Charles Bouvet de Lozier. Due to the imposing cliffs and challenging weather conditions he was unable to land on Bouvet. The first confirmed landing on Bouvet Island happened much later, on December 2, 1825, by British sealer George Norris who claimed the island for the United Kingdom. On December 1st, 1927 the Norwegians landed on the island claiming it for Norway and the British after taking into consideration how useless the island is, relinquished their claim.

I love visiting remote places and so looked for ways to visit Bouvet island. I found that there has been at least one successful tourist landing in 2006 with Oceanwide Expeditions and a couple of Ham Radio operator expeditions that had made it onto the island (1989 and 2023). There were also a number of expeditions/trips that made it to Bouvet but were unable to land (Oceanwide in 2015 and Ham radio operators in 2018). In 2012 Olavtoppen, Bouvet's highest peak, was summated by 9 climbers. The Norwegians have spent some summers studying the island from a prefabricated weather station but haven't been on Bouvet in years. Visits are infrequent putting the total visitors to step foot on Bouvet between 100-200 people.

I found a website of a Ham Radio expedition leaving for Bouvet Island on February 1, 2026 by using ChatGpt. I recently finished my Emergency Medicine Physician training and so emailed the expedition leadership asking them if they wanted a doctor to join them. They did ask for a substantial financial contribution as they didn't have enough funds to cover the 1.7 million USD cost of the expedition. I wired them my portion and excitedly took the position of team doctor.

After a 3 week delay on February 21st, 2026 we set sail from Cape Town on a medium sized icebreaker ship, the Argus. We were 12 ship crew, 3 helicopter pilots/mechanic, 14 Ham radio operators and 7 "support" team that included polar region wilderness experts. We spent 7 days on rough oceans with 5-10 meter waves before arriving at Bouvet. After waiting a day for a weather window, 7 of our group were able to land on the southeast corner of Bouvet called Kapp Fie via helicopter before the weather window closed. We had to wait another 2 days for another weather window to be able to land the rest of the team/ equipment.

I was in the second group and found the first group to be cold, wet and battered as they didn't have enough time to adequately set up camp before bad weather hit them. With our entire team now on the island we were able to put up the rest of camp (total 5 large tents and 5 small tents), eleven Ham radio antennas and then hunkered down for the next 14 days. We had multiple days of up to 70 mph (60 knots) winds and -2 to 4 degree Celsius weather. There was frequent rain and fog that would soak us. We did have one nice weather day while on Bouvet allowing everyone to take a helicopter ride around or over the island. I landed briefly on the top of Bouvet during my helicopter ride.

Four people in our group had taken a sailboat to Bouvet in 2023 on the last Ham Radio expedition. They had to swim to the island as they did not have a helicopter. They noted big changes to Kapp Fie. The glacier had receded a considerable amount and over a thousand Antarctic fur seals had moved up the mountain onto the newly exposed terrain. There were at least a hundred chinstrap and king penguins as well. Above camp there was a small lake where giant petrels liked to bathe. There was over a kilometer of exposed rock behind the camp I was able to explore on days when the winds weren't too strong. We found two pieces of wood with a nail in them. No idea how they got there. We ventured a little onto the glacier but not too far due to fear of crevasses.

The Ham Radio operators managed to make 102,000 radio contacts with people around the world. I spent my days either watching wildlife, helping in camp or hiding from the weather. We had occasional ice bergs float by. Day 15 and 16 on the island we were able to pack up camp and get everyone back to the ship before a large storm hit the island. It's only taking us five days to get back to Cape Town as the seas have been good.

At times Bouvet Island felt like a prison because there was no way off of it and the nearest humans were at least 1000 km away. It was a special experience though watching the animals on the beach and seeing the cold ocean stretch off into the horizon knowing that this is one of the few places untouched by civilization left in the world. Raw nature where no one is coming to help you (because no one can) if anything goes wrong.

Our group was awesome. We started our adventure as strangers and fortunately left as friends. From the medical perspective everything was good minus some sea sickness, diarrhea and a couple small scratches. Our helicopter pilots (who have worked in Antarctica, Nepal, South Sudan, etc.) reported this as their scariest and toughest flying job.

Bouvet island is remote and desolate. Its challenging weather and poor accessibility are fitting for the most remote island in the world. If you want to visit you will need to get permission to visit from the Norwegian Polar Institute and then charter your own boat that is capable of handling the rough conditions of the Southern Ocean. Good luck. It's a true adventure.

Bouvet Island

Bouvet Island

3YØK BOUVET ISLAND
TEAM UPDATE!
MARCH 13 - 14:35 Z
WE'RE GETTING READY TO LEAVE THE ISLAND!
RUNNING QRO SIGNALS!
HELO ARRIVING SOON!
WX IS STILL ROUGH OUT HERE!
100,000 QSOs!
HOPE THAT WEATHER WINDOW OPEN THIS WEEKEND!
800 WATTS!
40+ KNOTS WIND!
KEEPING THE STATIONS ON AIR AS LONG AS POSSIBLE!

Sable Island CY0S

At CY0S is an example of FT8 at its best. Murray is running 4 stations simultaneously each with at least 3 streams using half cycle. That is 30 QSOs a minute! Now the best CW operator currently can run SO2R at maybe 10 QSOs per minute and that is a 30+ wpm if there are that many callers. Note that all the radios are Flex Radios. Speaking of CW, the pile ups on that mode have been huge! It is amazing that most Dxpeditions today use vertical antennas, VDAs or maybe a Hex beam / Spider Beam. The Bouvet DXPedition actually used yagis!

Nigeria 5N7QBR

Sable Island CY0S

SO4R 5N7QBR, Bodo was permitted the Voice of Nigeria array during his visit. This is a rotatable 20 dBi dipole array, very effective. **Array**

Resource Page

Useful Sites

N0HR DXpedition Map
www.n0hr.com/wk34/

The DX Zone
www.dxzone.com/catalog/DX_Resources/

The Daily DX
www.dailydx.com/

Announced DX Ops
www.ng3k.com/misc/adxo.html

DXing.info
/www.dxing.info/dxpeditions/

DX 425 News
www.425dxn.org/dxped/

DX Italia DX News
www.marioi2mgp.it

DH9SB Weekly DX Calendar
http://www.dx-info.de

Southern California Contest Club
http://www.socalcontestclub.org/

Sixth District QSL Bureau
www.QSLBureau.org

ARRL VE Exam Sessions

To find an ARRL exam sessions in your area go to the website:
http://www.arrl.org/find-an-amateur-radio-license-exam-session

Club and Conduct Sites

Officer Guidelines
http://www.scdxc.org/download/Officer_Guidelines.pdf

DX Code of Conduct
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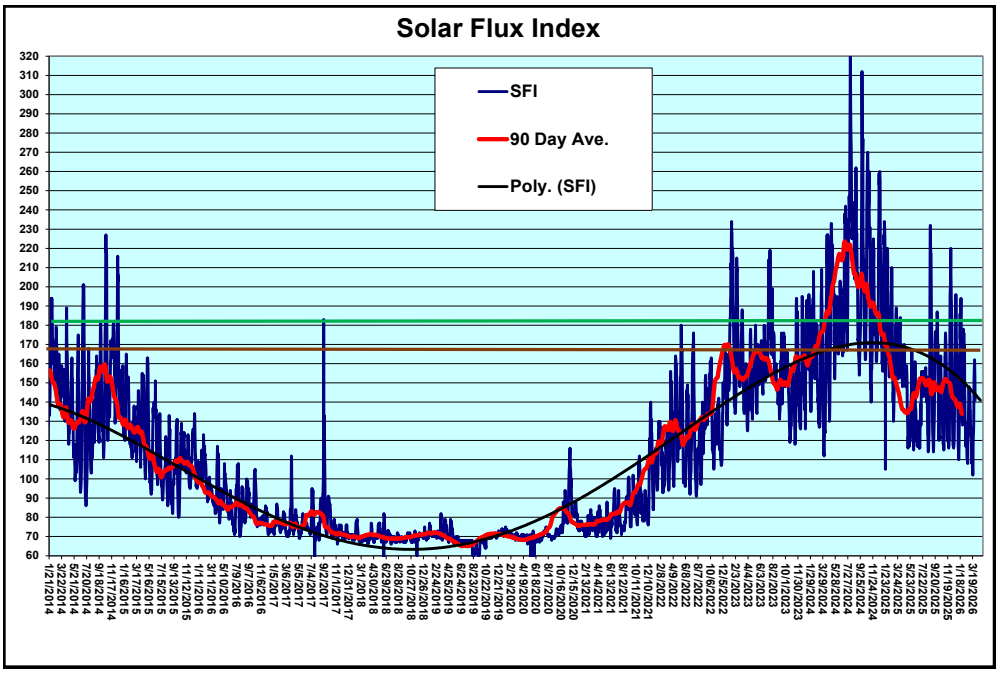

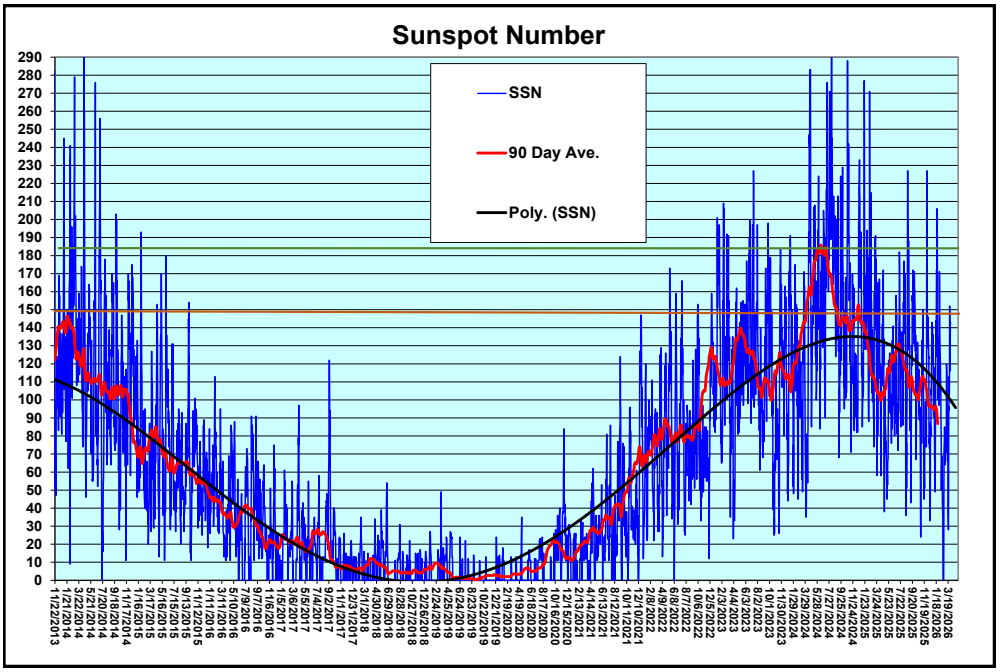

Propagation

Fortunately the days in February without sunspots did not repeat in March. In addition to that we seem to be having a protracted period of moderate SSN and SFI. It is not falling as quickly as last cycle. Unfortunately we have been having several days of disturbed. It is interesting to see how 6 meters picks up during the solar storms or slightly after.

Strongest Cycle Ever? Biggest Cycle?

Understanding Indices - K9LA

What to Expect During the Rising Years of Solar Cycle 25 - YouTube

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